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PSC ISSUES DECISION IN ROGUE CREEK UTILITIES RATE CASES

Jefferson City (November 8, 2002)---The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved agreements which authorize Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc. to increase annual water revenues by approximately \$8,550 and sewer revenues by approximately \$6,560 for service rendered on and after November 11, 2002.

Based upon a thorough review of the Company's books and records, it was determined that a rate increase for water and sewer service was necessary to cover the cost of operating and maintaining the systems. For a typical residential water customer, rates will increase from \$10.92 to \$17.46 a month. For a typical residential sewer customer, rates will increase from \$9.45 to \$15.46 a month.

On April 18, 2002, Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc. filed water and sewer rate cases with the Missouri Public Service Commission. The utility sought to increase annual water revenues by approximately \$9,500 and annual sewer revenues by approximately \$15,300.

The PSC Staff conducted a thorough review of the books and records of the Company. Based upon the results of that audit, the PSC Staff and Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc. were able to reach an agreement which was submitted for Commission consideration. That agreement called for annual water revenues to increase by approximately \$8,550 and sewer revenues by approximately \$6,560 a year.

In a filing with the Commission on October 23, 2002, the Office of the Public Counsel recommended the agreement be approved. The Office of the Public Counsel represents the general public in cases before the Public Service Commission.

The Commission stated in its order: "The Commission finds the agreement between the Staff (PSC Staff) and Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc., including the proposed tariff sheets, to be reasonable and will approve the agreement."

Rogue Creek Utilities, Inc. serves approximately 100 water and sewer customers in Washington County near Potosi, Missouri.

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